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Examiner : C.A. Fiorilla
Art Unit : 1731
Docket No. : 11728/4

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : J. SUGAWARA et al.
Serial No. : 10/019,752
Filed : December 27, 2001
For : BLACK CERAMIC SINTER WITH LOW THERMAL EXPANSION AND HIGH SPECIFIC RIGIDITY AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed on February 2, 2004 for which a three (3) month response period expiring on May 2, 2004 was set. The extended period expires effectively on June 2, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00) for a one (1) month extension of time to Deposit Account 11-0600. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account 11-0600. A copy of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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